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PRICE, \$24 PER ANNUM.

ENTS FOR THE CHINA MAIL.

Notices of Firms.

NOTICE.

M. R. CHAN TSING KI has been admitted a PARTNER in our Firm from the 6th August, 1880.

TAI FUNG SHUN HONG,
71, Bonham Strand West.

Hongkong, January 12, 1881. ja26

NOTICE.

THE INTEREST and RESPONSIBILITY of
MR. CHAN TSING KI in our Firm
ceased from the 6th August, 1880.

TAI FUNG SHUN HONG,
71, Bonham Strand West.

Hongkong, January 12, 1881. ja26

NOTICE.

THE Firms of LINSTEAD & CO. and
DAVIS & CO. are this day Amalgamated
and the Undersigned have entered
into a Co-partnership under the Style of
LINSTEAD & DAVIS.

T. G. LINSTEAD.
H. W. DAVIS.
Hongkong, January 1, 1881. ja26

Banks.

HONGKONG & SHANGHAI BANKING
CORPORATION.

PAID-UP CAPITAL.....\$5,000,000 Dollars.
RESERVE FUND.....\$1,000,000 Dollars.

COUNCIL OF DIRECTORS.

Chairman—The Hon. W. KESWICK.
Deputy Chairman—A. M. MAYER, Esq.

APOL. ANDRE, Esq. H. DE C. FORBES, Esq.
E. R. BELLILLO, Esq. H. HOPPIUS, Esq.
H. L. DALMAYPLE, Esq. F. D. SASSON, Esq.
W. S. YOUNG, Esq.

CHIEF MANAGER.

Hongkong.....THOMAS JACKSON, Esq.
MANAGER.....EVAN CAMERON, Esq.
LONDON BANKERS—London and County
Bank.

HONGKONG.

INTEREST ALLOWED.
ON Current Deposit Account at the rate
of 2 per cent. per annum on the daily
balance.

For Fixed Deposits—
For 3 months, 3 per cent. per annum.
6 " 4 per cent.
12 " 5 per cent.

LOCAL BILLS DISCOUNTED.
Credits granted on approved Securities,
and every description of Banking and
Exchange business transacted.

Drafts, granted on London, and the
chief Commercial places in Europe, India,
Australia, America, China and Japan.

T. JACKSON,

Chief Manager.
Offices of the Corporation,
No. 1, Queen's Road East.
Hongkong, August 10, 1880.

COMPTOIR D'ESCOMPT DE PARIS.

(Incorporated 7th d. 18th March, 1848.)

RECOGNISED by the INTERNATIONAL
CONVENTION of 30th April, 1862.

CAPITAL PAID-UP.....\$3,000,000.
RESERVE FUND.....\$300,000.

HEAD OFFICE—14, RUE BERGERE,
PARIS.

AGENCIES AND BRANCHES at:

LONDON, BOURBON, SAN FRANCISCO,
MASHIMES, BOMBAY, HONGKONG,
LYONS, CALCUTTA, HANKOW,
NANTES, SHANGHAI, FOOCHEW,
MELBOURNE.

LONDON BANKERS:

THE BANK OF ENGLAND.

THE UNION BANK OF LONDON.

The Hongkong Agency receives Fixed
Deposits on Terms to be ascertained on
application, grants Drafts and Credits on
all parts of the World, and transacts every
description of Banking Exchange Business.

E. G. VOUILLEMONT,
Manager, Shanghai.
Hongkong, May 20, 1879.

ORIENTAL BANK CORPORATION.

(Incorporated by Royal Charter.)

PAID-UP CAPITAL.....\$1,500,000.

BALANCES OF INTEREST ALLOWED ON DE-

POSITS.

At 3 months' notice 3% per Annum.

6 " 2 1/2 " 2 1/2 "

12 " 5 " 5 "

Current Accounts kept on Terms which
may be learnt on application.

GEO. O. SCOTT,
Acting Manager.
Oriental Bank Corporation,
Hongkong, September 4, 1879.

THE CHINA FIRM INSURANCE
COMPANY, LIMITED.

HEAD OFFICE HONGKONG.

AGENCIES at all the Treaty Ports of
China and Japan, and at Singapore,
Malacca and Penang.

Underwritten, and Policies of Insurance
created at the rates of Premium current at
the above mentioned Ports.

NO CHARGE FOR POLICY FEES.

J. B. OUGHRISTE,
Secretary.

Hongkong, November 1, 1871.

KELLY & WALSH

HAVE Just RECEIVED

The New, Tinted IRISH LINEN
NOTE PAPER in the following Tints:

PEACH, AMETHYST, TURQUOISE, ROSE,
THREE VER.

Royal Ulster Linen NOTE PAPER and
ENVELOPES.

Half-Morocco ALBUMS for mounted
Photographs.

Sweet Cordon CIGARETTES.

Royal Ulster Linen of the Reigning
Princess of China.

Elkin's "Chinese Buddhism."

Church's "Stories from Herodotus."

"Chinshingus, a Japanese Romance,"
beautifully illustrated.

Henderson's "Life of an Angler."

Iveson's "Horse Power Diagrams."

Rice & Bevan's "Novels," cheap ed.

Crawford's "Portugal, Old and New."

Wallace's "Island Life."

Miss Havergal's "Life Chords," beauti-

fully illustrated.

Hongkong, January 15, 1881.

T. G. LINSTEAD.
H. W. DAVIS.

Hongkong, January 1, 1881. ja26

NOTICE.

M. R. NICOLAUS AUGUST SIEBS has
this day been admitted a PARTNER in our Firm

in our Firm at Hongkong, and in China,
and Mr. ALEXANDER WASSERFALL

has been authorized to SIGN the Firm per
Procuration.

SIEMSSSEN & CO.

Hongkong, January 1, 1881. ja26

NOTICE.

M. R. ALFRED F. O. KRAUSS and
Mr. PHILIP BEHNARD SCHMACKER have
this day been admitted PARTNERS in our Firm.

CARLOWITZ & CO.

Canton, Hongkong, and
Shanghai, January 1, 1881. ja26

NOTICE.

M. R. WILLIAM WALKINSHAW has
retired from our Firm, and his
INTEREST and RESPONSIBILITY have CHANGED.

Two Business will be carried on as heretofore
by the remaining Partners, viz.—Messrs

PRINZES RYTHE, EDWARD GARRY SMITH,
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For Sale.

MacEWEN, FRICKEL & Co.
HAVE RECEIVED FOR SALE
Es recently arrived Mail and
other Steamships.

AMERICAN AND ENGLISH
GROCERIES,
Fresh Supplies Received by every
Mail.

APPLES, Green and Dried.
MOLASSES, Canned and Bottled.
EASTERN CREAM CHEESE.
EASTERN BUCKWHEAT.
INDIAN-CORN MEAL, OATMEAL.
CRACKED WHEAT, HOMINY.
ASSORTED JELLIES in Glass Jars.
NUTS—BARCELONA, BRAZIL,
SHREBELL, ALMONDS,
PEANUTS and PEANUTS.

GREEN TURTLE, 1lb. and 2lb. Cases.
RUSSIAN CAVIARE.
OX-TONGUES, Smoked and Pickled.
CLAM CHOWDER.
EAGLE BRAND CONDENSED MILK.
RICHARDSON & ROBIN'S DEVILLED
MEATS.
ITALIAN PASTES, MACARONI and
VERMICELLI.
EASTERN RAMS and BACON.
SMOKED SALMON.

CALIFORNIA
RACKER
COMPANY'S BISCUITS.
Alphabetical BISCUITS—
Soda CRACKERS.
Wafers BISCUITS.
Ginger CAKES.
Milk BISCUITS.
Oyster BISCUITS.

HORSE RADISH in Bottles.
Soused Lamb's TONGUES.
Comb HONEY in Original Frames.
Soused Pig's FEET.
Soused and Comb HONEY in Bottles.
Family Pig PORK in Kegs.
Family Meats BEEF in Kegs.
No. 1 Boston MACKEREL in Kits.
Salmon BELLIES in Kits.
Parsons MACKEREL in Tins.
English BROWN.

Compressed OX-TONGUE.
Compressed CORN BEEF.
Cutting's Dessert FRUITS in 2lb Cases.
Assorted Canned VEGETABLES.
MINOMEAT.
Sausage MEAT.
Assorted SOUPS.
Stuffed PEPPERS.
Queen's OLIVES.
Assorted PICKLES.

California CANDIES.
The American BROILER.
Waffle IRONS.
Lemon SQUEEZERS.

CROSBIE & BLACKWELL'S
— and —
JOHN MOIR'S
FAMOUS HOUSEHOLD
STORES.

Whitaker's BACON in Wrapper.
Irish Selected BACON in 2lb & 4lb Tins.
Cumberland HAMS.
Breakfast TONGUES.

Russia OX-TONGUES.
Oxford SAUSAGES.

HAM, TONGUE, and Chicken SAUSAGE.
Truffled SAUSAGES.
Potted MATS and FISH.
Philippe and Casau's PATE DE
FOIE GRAS.

Philippe & Canada's ASPARAGUS.

Philippe & Canada's SARDINES.
Gelatine LOZENGES.

Assorted SWEETS.

GELATINE.

Mallie's French MUSTARD.
Anglo Swiss CHOCOLATE and MILK.

Anglo Swiss COCOA and MILK.

Cross & Blackwell's CHOCOLATE.

Masson's CHOCOLATES Assorted.

Schweitzer's COCOATINA.

Van Houten's COCOA.

Egg's COCOA.

COSAQUES.

Liebig's Extractum CARNIS.

Smoked COD-ROES.

Dried SPROATS.

Findon HADDOCK.

HERRINGS & LA SARDINE.

Yarmouth BLOATERS.

Kippered HERRING.

Dried HERRINGS.

SARDINES with TOMATOES.

Assorted PICKLES.

Assorted JAMS.

Cal's Foot JELLY.

Essences for Flavouring.

SAUCES.

SPICES.

Candied PEEL, ALMONDS.

CURRANTS in Bottles and Bulk.

Mincemeat; Caraway SEEDS.

Ground COFFEE.

Raw COFFEE.

PRESENT TEA 5 Catty and 10 Catty
Boxes; Good BREAKFAST TEA 25
cents per lb.

Hongkong, November 22, 1880.

Entertainment.

THEATRE ROYAL,

CITY HALL,
HONGKONG.

THIS EVENING,
January 24th, 1881.

EIGHTH APPEARANCE
OF THE CELEBRATED
VICTORIA LOFTS TROUPE
OF OPERATIC, VAUDEVILLE, AND DRAMATIC
ARTISTS.

Programme.

"SALON DE ETHIOPE."

Opening Chorus.

Comic Song, "My
Lover at the Ball," Mr. JOHN FULTON.

Ballad, "Save it
Chiming Bell," Miss VICTORIA LOFTS.

Comic Song, "The
Happy N.Y.," Mr. JAMES MAAS.

Ballad, "The D'ay
when You'll for
get me," Miss SALLIE DE ANGELIS.

Comic Song, "Her
Hannah," Mr. JEFF DE ANGELIS.

Musical Finale, by
regretful, Milk and
Cider," COMPANY.

Overture, (Post and Peasant),
Prof. BLAKENEY and Mr. WILLIAMS.

SERIO COMICO, Miss SALLIE DE ANGELIS;
SONGS,

The Laughable Absurdity, entitled—

"A PRIMA DONNA FOR AN HOUR."

Mrs. Smith, a Ro-
mantic young
Woman,

Clara Louise
Kellie, a Pri-
me Dona,

Senator Hard-
fret, a color-
ful Politician,

Peter Short Cash
an embarrassed
Politician,

Mr. JAMES MAAS.

INTRODUCING SONGS, Duet, ETC.

TERPITONIC EXERCISES,
by Miss MINNIE EDMOND.

ARTISTIC SPECIALITIES,
by Little DOLLY.

TEATONIC ECSTASIES,
by Mr. JEFF DE ANGELIS.

OVERTURSE, (from Lucia de Lammermoor),
Prof. BLAKENEY and Mr. WILLIAMS.

The Performance will conclude with the
Screaming Burletta, entitled—

"PUT UP YOUR MOUTH."

Manager Grab,

Pat Bounce,

Circus Bill,

Larry Barrett,

Jimmy Clog,

Jama Operatic,

Miss VICTORIA LOFTS.

Maria Dutch,

Miss SALLIE DE ANGELIS.

Sarah Comic,

Miss MINNIE EDMOND.

Songs, Dances, &c., will be introduced

During the Burletta.

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Manager Grab,

THE CHINA MAIL.

all right. Shortly after one o'clock, the man was awakened and sent out to make a search and receiving no answer, set up, and having obtained a light, to the bed and found deceased insensible.

Witnesses then called the aman to his master, who at once sent for Dr. Wong. Deceased was a very quiet man and was on good terms with the other servants, and witness knew of no reason why he should kill himself. He had never seen nor any of the other servants smoke opium.

Witnesses corroborated that of the aman, who was given by the aman, who so added that he had heard his mistress' name that deceased had been out for a time during the afternoon. He had received his month's pay on Friday last.

The evidence as to the cause of deceased's death not being considered sufficiently strong by the Jury the inquest was adjourned till Wednesday next at 2 o'clock p.m., till the Magistrate, to allow of a post mortem examination being made.

The following telegram appears in the Australian papers:

Rangoon, December 18.—A great conflagration occurred here to-day. The destruction was unparalleled. The origin of the fire is unknown. Half the town is a heap of ruins. 60,000 people have been rendered homeless. Numbers were burned.

In the matter of James Goldson, chief officer of the British barque *Warwick Castle*, who was charged with assaulting Robert Clacherty, the master, and with mutinous conduct on board the said ship on the 28th December, while on the high seas, a Naval Court was held on the 19th, before W. R. Charles, Esq., H. B. M.'s Acting Vice-Admiral, President; and Lieutenant H. Elwyn, of H. M. S. *Encounter*, Mr. A. Thompson, Commander of steamship *Ulysses*; Mr. Assistant Paymaster Chaster, H. M. S. *Encounter*, Clerk of the Court. The opinion of the Court after hearing the evidence was as follows:—(1) That James Goldson committed an assault on Robert Clacherty the master of the *Warwick Castle* and was also guilty of mutinous behaviour on the 28th December 1880 whilst on the high seas. The sentence of the Court is that he should be imprisoned, and kept to hard labour for twelve weeks, starting from the 1st January, 1881. (2) That his certificate be cancelled, but that a recommendation be made to the Board of Trade to return it to him on the 1st July, 1881, on receiving certificates of his good behaviour in the interim. (4) That the prisoner pay the costs of the Court and the expense of his maintenance while in prison. (6) That the master's certificate be returned to him. Shanghai paper.

UNCLE TOM'S CABIN.

An adaptation to the stage of the above-named well-known production of Harriett Beecher Stowe was given by the Lotus Troupe at the City Hall on Saturday evening, and it is not too much to say that they scored a decided success. The piece is of a kind which, speaking generally, it might be said that a Hongkong audience does not care to patronise; but the known merit and versatility of the troupe was sufficient to fill a house thoroughly well filled with stains. All round, the piece was well received on the stage and artistically played.

One especially good feature was Mr. T. B. Butler's *Uncle Tom*, than which nothing could have been more true to nature or more carefully portrayed. Few imagined that Mr. Butler had the great abilities in this direction of which he showed himself possessed on Saturday evening. Miss Victoria Loftus as the madcap slave-girl *Topsy* who wasn't born "but 'possum she growed," was extremely good. There are few who could have been more perfect or more amusing in the part. Mr. Jeff de angelis was as funny as usual. ("I am a lawyer and my name is Marks; shake it") Some thought he was almost too funny for the piece. But the jewel of the cast was, to every one's mind, little Dolly who as *Eve* touched every one's heart. The death scene was an extremely good piece of acting for a child only yet between six and seven years of age. Miss Minnie Edmund as *Eliza* showed herself capable of a higher walk of the dramatic art than we have yet seen in her. Miss de Angelis, as *Aunt Dotie* made a great hit. Her acquaintance with the typical original of the character she was interpreting and her natural ability resulted in a consummately artistic rendering. The other members of the troupe, and a host of volunteers worked well, and the way the play was put upon the boards surprised everyone. The snow-scene in which *Eliza* (Miss Edmund) crosses the ice, was remarkably well managed, and the audience was not slow to manifest its appreciation of the beauty and effect of the scene-painter's art placed before them. To divide the honour of the last scene with that of crossing the ice was the final grand, and glorious tableau representing old *Uncle Tom* and *Little Eva* in spiritland. There was not during the evening a moment of applause which a variety entertainment specially invites, but the audience on the whole seemed highly satisfied and hearty rounds of applause were each time given as the drop some fell.

HONGKONG, CANTON AND MACAO STEAMBOAT COY., LIMITED.

The following is the Report of the Board of Directors (signed by "W. Kiesewell, Chairman"), to be presented to the ordinary half-yearly Meeting of Shareholders, to be held at the Office of the Company, on Friday next, the 28th instant:

The Directors beg to submit to the share-holders the usual statement of accounts for the half-year ending 31st December, salary, premium of insurance, repairs and all other outgoings, the same remaining, including \$4,468.35 brought forward from last account, and sum of \$66,500.00, a credit of profit and loss account.

After paying running expenses, salaries, premium of insurance, repairs and all other outgoings, there remains, including \$4,468.35 brought forward from last account, and sum of \$66,500.00, a credit of profit and loss account, and \$2,750 to be appropriated as directors' and auditors' fees, leaving a balance of \$3,600.00 to be carried forward to next account.

If the appropriation be made as recommended above, the depreciation fund, now standing at \$167,500, will be brought up to \$180,000, and the directors propose that \$10,000 be written off the value of the shares in the books, leaving \$100,000 at credit of depreciation fund.

With the exception of the *Kia-sien*, which requires an overhaul, the Company's steamers are in good order.

The retiring auditors, Messrs. H. Smith and L. H. Henshaw, offer themselves for re-election.

CRICKET.
H.M.S. "VICTOR EMANUEL" v. H.M.S.
"CURACAO."

A match was played between these two elevens this afternoon and was finished by the *Curacao's* team scoring a decisive victory in one innings against their opponents' two. This was chiefly owing to the capital batting of Messrs. Penny, Rees, and Moffett, and the bowling of the last-mentioned gentleman, as will be seen by the appended score:

H.M.S. "VICTOR EMANUEL."
First Innings.

Mr. Ferguson, a.m., b Penny,.....

Private Alltings, r.m., run out,.....

Lt. Newington, r.m., c and b Moffett,.....

Private Stevenson, r.m., b Moffett,.....

Lieutenant Thomas, a.m., c Humphreys,.....

b Moffett,.....

Sergeant Caine, a.m., run out,.....

Corporal Hawkin, run out,.....

Private Shenshaw, b Moffett,.....

Mr. Winterbottom, a.m., c Humphreys b,.....

Private Thos, not out,.....

Byes 3, leg byes 1, wide 2,.....

Total,.....

Wickets fall.—1 for 1, 2 for 4, 3 for 8, 4 for 11, 5 for 14, 6 for 17, 7 for 21, 8 for 29, 9 for 30, 10 for 31.

H.M.S. "CURACAO."

First Innings.

Lieut. Bouchier, b Fingring,.....

Mr. Penny, b Thomas,.....

A. McDonald, c Newington, b Thomas,.....

G. Skinner, b Ferguson,.....

Lieut. Braithwaite, b Newington,.....

Mr. Humphreys, b Thomas, b Stevenson,.....

Fraser, c Thomas, b Newington,.....

"St. John," b Stevenson,.....

"Courage, not out,.....

Bye 1, leg byes 2, wide 1,.....

Total,.....

Wickets fall.—1 for 37, 2 for 97, 3 for 103, 4 for 111, 5 for 152, 6 for 165, 7 for 169, 8 for 183, 9 for 199, 10 for 171.

H.M.S. "VICTOR EMANUEL."

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Mr. Ferguson, b Penny,.....

Mr. Allings, b Moffett,.....

Lieut. Newington, b do,.....

Lieut. Thomas, b do,.....

Sergt. Cain, b do,.....

Corpl. Hawkin, b do,.....

Private Shenshaw, b do,.....

Mr. Winterbottom, b,.....

Byes 2, leg byes 1,.....

Total,.....

Subscriptions from the account of 1879,.....

Subscriptions and donations from Foreigners and Chinese collected during the year, including the following not acknowledged in the list appended to Report of 1879—viz.: from Mr. F. H. Ewer, \$100; Mr. Pollock, \$6; Tea-dealers through Mr. Thomas, \$50; Silk dealers through Mr. Koch, \$162.50; the Municipal Government of Hongkong, \$100; Mr. Sui Ngok Kai, \$100; Mr. Ho Teat Kee, \$40; Dr. Keir, \$100; Dr. of Books, Medicines, &c., and payments by patients, \$637.48; Total,.....

Subscriptions for 1880; paid in per account current from July 22nd to December 1st, acknowledgement of which by name will appear in the list of the Report for 1880,.....

Dr. Keir Fund donation of 1879 and 1880, paid in,.....

China Fire Insurance Company—

Bonus returns,.....

Dr. Carrington,.....

Balance of Interest Account,.....

PAYMENTS.

By several orders of Mr. Sampson, Chairman of the Managing Committee, to pay as follows:—

Messrs. A. S. Watson & Co.'s bill of various Medicines furnished the Hospital in 1878, per statement of Dr. Carrington,.....

Physicians in charge, Hospital and Dispensaries, including cost of new Wards,.....

Balance to credit in new account,.....

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Out-patients,.....

Dispensaries,.....

At CANTON.

Male Females, Total

Out-patients,.....

In-patients,.....

Furniture,.....

Surgical operations,.....

Vaccinations,.....

At SAU-NAM, SHEK-KOK, AND THING-UN.

Out-patients,.....

At TUNG-KUN, FU-MUN AND HAKKA-TUNG.

Out-patients,.....

Operations,.....

Many important surgical operations have been performed; among which were two successful cases of ovariotomy.

Regular instruction has been given to the Medical Class by myself and the two senior Assistants.

The Manual of Eye Diseases has been printed and other Works are in course of preparation.

The range of six new Wards has been erected for the better class of patients has been erected and is now in use.

The hospital is now in full working order.

The operations of the Hospital and Dispensaries have been continued without interruption.

The figures annexed give a statement of the work of the year:—

AT CANTON.

Male Females, Total

Out-patients,.....

In-patients,.....

Furniture,.....

Surgical operations,.....

Vaccinations,.....

At SAU-NAM, SHEK-KOK, AND THING-UN.

Out-patients,.....

At TUNG-KUN, FU-MUN AND HAKKA-TUNG.

Out-patients,.....

CREDIT.

Balance from last year,.....

Cash from sale of books, &c.,.....

From the Treasurers, as receipts from patients, &c.,.....

Cost of new Wards,.....

Cash paid the Treasurers, donation from Municipal Council, for 1880,.....

£2,420.28

CREDIT.

Balance from last year,.....

Cash from sale of books, &c.,.....

From the Treasurers, as required for current expenses and new Wards,.....

£1,797.40

Donation from the Municipal Council, per cent., to the Treasurers, for 1880,.....

£0.00

Balance to debit of the Society in new account,.....

£2,883.77

WRECK OF A GERMAN BARQUE.

It gives us pleasure to be able to record another instance of the Chinese authorities having rendered valuable assistance to shipwrecked seamen. The German barque *Maitai II* was stranded on the coast of the province of Shantung last December, and the whole crew, of whom there were thirteen, were taken safely to Chefoo, and re-imbursement of expenses actually incurred by the mandarin was refused.

The following is taken from the vessel's log-book:—Left Hongkong on the 10th of November, and all went well till the 22nd of December. About four o'clock on the morning of that day, the weather became thick and foggy, with occasional snow-showers. At six o'clock we sighted the coast, and, thinking it to be the Nanchang Road, tried to turn the ship round, when we suddenly found ourselves in a narrow channel, surrounded by rocks and breakers. The carpenter was sent ashore to ascertain the cause of the accident, and, after a long search, found that the ship had run aground, and that the crew had been taken off by a boat. The carpenter was sent ashore to ascertain the cause of the accident, and, after a long search, found that the ship had run aground, and that the crew had been taken off by a boat. The carpenter was sent ashore to ascertain the cause of the accident, and, after a long search, found that the ship had run aground, and that the crew had been taken off by a boat. The carpenter was sent ashore to ascertain the cause of the accident, and, after a long search, found that the ship had run aground, and that the crew had been taken off by a boat. The

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Insurances.

Visitors' Column.

Hongkong Rates of Postage.

(Revised December 1st, 1880.)

In the following Statements and Tables the Rates are given in cents, and are, for Letters, per half ounce; for Books and Patterns, per two ounces.

Newspapers over four ounces in weight are charged as double, triple, &c., as the case may be, but such papers or packets of papers may be sent at Book Rate. Two Newspapers must not be folded together as one, nor must anything whatever be inserted except bona fide Supplements. Printed matter may, however, be enclosed, if printed on one side only, and may be opened by direction of the Postmaster General.

2. The following cannot be transmitted: Parcels insufficiently packed or protected, or liable to be crushed (as bandboxes, Oil, Glass, Liquids, Explosive substances, Matches, Indigo, Dyes, Ice, Meat, Fish, Game, Fruits, Vegetables, or whatever is dangerous to the Mails, or likely to become offensive or injurious in transit).

3. Parcels will be a general rule be forwarded by Private Ship, not by Contract Mail, unless the Post Office reserves the right of selecting the opportunity for transmission, and of delaying delivery in case the number of parcels is such as to retard other correspondence. No responsibility is accepted with regard to any parcel, but the system of Registration will secure the senders against any but a very remote probability of loss.

4. The public are cautioned not to confound these facilities with a Parcel Post to Europe, &c., which does not exist.

Local Parcel Post.

1. Small Parcels may be sent by Post between any of the Post Offices in China or Japan, as well as to Macao, Pekin, Peking, and Malacca. They must not exceed the following dimensions: 2 feet long, 1 foot broad, 1 foot deep, nor weight more than five lbs. The postage is 10 cents per lb., which includes Registration. They are forwarded at Book Rates, except when the Post Office reserves the right of selecting the opportunity for transmission, and of delaying delivery in case the number of parcels is such as to retard other correspondence. No responsibility is accepted with regard to any parcel, but the system of Registration will secure the senders against any but a very remote probability of loss.

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It is necessary that the following rules be strictly observed.

1. No Letter or Packet, whether to be registered or unregistered, can be received for Postage if it contains gold or silver money, jewels, precious articles, or anything that, as a general rule, is liable to Customs duties.

2. This Regulation prohibits the sending of Patterns of durable articles, unless the quantity sent be so small as to make the sample of no value.

3. The limits of weight allowed are as follows:—

Books and Papers— to British Office, 5 lbs.; to the Continent, &c., 4 lbs. Patterns— to British Offices, 5 lbs; without intrinsic value; to the Continent, &c., 8 oz.

4. The following cannot be transmitted:

Postage to Union Countries.

General Rates, by any route:—

Letters, 10 cents per oz

Post Cards, 8 cents each.

Registration, 10 cents

Newspapers, 2 cents each.

Books, Patterns and 2 cents per oz.

Comics, Papers, 1 cent each.

There is no charge on redirected correspondence within the Postal Union.

Postage to Non-Union Countries.

Hawaiian Kingdom:—

Letters, 10 cents

Registration, 2 cents

Newspapers, 5 cents

Books & Patterns, 5 cents

West Indies (Non-Union); Bolivia, Chile, Costa Rica, Guatemala, New

Granada, Nicaragua, Panama, Paraguay:—

Letters, 10 cents

Registration, 2 cents

Newspapers, 5 cents

Books & Patterns, 5 cents

Australia, New Zealand, Tasmania, and

Fiji, via Torres Straits, Letters, 10 cents

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